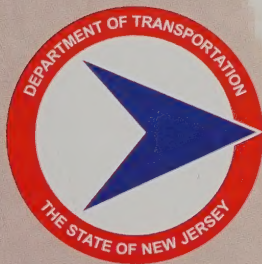


# *NJDOT's 23rd Annual Remembrance Ceremony*



## *and 22nd Anniversary of 9/11*



*Monday, September 11, 2023*

*9:30 a.m.*

*Employee Memorial Courtyard*

*NJDOT Headquarters*

*Ewing, NJ*



# *Fallen Colleagues to be memorialized at today's ceremony*

Arthur Reinhardt  
October 20, 1943

William T. A. Kays  
August 16, 1948

Walter C. Eckert  
January 1, 1947

Joseph G. Platt  
March 1, 1949

Jeremiah O'Brien  
April 26, 1948

## *NJDOT Commemorates the 23rd Anniversary of the Employee Memorial and the 22nd Anniversary of 9/11*





## PROGRAM

### Mistress of Ceremonies

**Veronica Murphy**, Executive Assistant 3, Division of Local Aid and Economic Development

### Processional

Commissioner **Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti**, Chief of Staff **Justin Braz**, Deputy Commissioner **Joe Bertoni**, Deputy Chief of Staff **Vanessa Holman**, former Commissioner **Stephen Dilts**, LTJG **Richard Sun**, Members of the Senior Leadership Team, Keynote Speaker **Eric Schwarz**, Members of the **Eduardo Jimenez** Family, Program Participants including Military Personnel and Emergency Responders led by Piper Lieutenant **Brian Ruane**, New Jersey State Police

### Pledge of Allegiance

**LTJG Richard Sun**  
United States Navy Reserve  
Transportation and Infrastructure Advisor  
Office of the Governor

### National Anthem

**Irene Donne**, Environmental Specialist 1  
Division of Capital Program Support

### Invocation

**Reverend Thomas Johnson**  
Pastor, AME Church  
NJDOT Retiree

### Welcome Remarks

**Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti**  
Commissioner

### Keynote Speaker

**Eric Schwarz**, Research Librarian  
Bureau of Research, Division of Planning, Multi-Modal, and Grants Administration

### Tribute to NJDOT's Military

Chief of Investigations **Thomas Falletta** and **Truman**  
Office of the Inspector General  
Command Sgt. Major (RET), United States Army Reserve

### Tribute to Law Enforcement, Emergency Responders and Search and Rescue Operations

**Syed Kazmi**, First Aid Squad, Kendall Park  
Section Chief, Division of Highway and Traffic Design

### Tribute to NJDOT's 41 Fallen Colleagues Reading of the names of Employees who gave their lives performing service for New Jersey

**Christopher Feintheil**  
Acting Assistant Commissioner  
Transportation Operations Systems and Support

### Unveiling of Plaques for Fallen Colleagues and placement of Flowers at the Memorial Wall

Commissioner **Gutierrez-Scaccetti**, former Commissioner **Stephen Dilts**, Keynote Speaker **Eric Schwarz**, and members of the **Eduardo Jimenez** and **Terry Kresge** families

### Tribute to NJDOT Employees who have passed away since September, 2022

**Kelly Hutchinson**, Director, Division of Human Resources

### God Bless America

**Irene Donne**

### Rifle Salute and Playing of TAPS

Trenton Detachment 207, Marine Corps League Firing Detail

### Closing Prayer

**Reverend Thomas Johnson**

### Recessional

**Lt. Brian Ruane**, NJSP Bagpiper

Special thanks to: Livestreaming Coordination: **Lucas Ozarowski**

Photographer: **Glenn Catana**

Memorial Display and Program: **Glenn Catana** and **Paul Sanders**

Ceremony Coordination: **Lisa Adams**

North Region Snowplow (depiction of 9/11): **John LaFiura**, **Louis Vasquez** and **Martin Tani**  
**Debby Hatzisavvas** and the Support Services Team

Sound System: **Bob Bergner** and **Paul Sanders**

Memorial Posters: **Glenn Catana** and **Sign Shop**

Promotion: **Lavanya Korrapati**, NJDOT Webmaster

**Office of Communications**

Central Region Operations

Placement of Plaques on the Memorial Wall: **John Spedding** and **John Stults**, EMC Members





**Eric Schwarz** is the Research Librarian for the New Jersey Department of Transportation. He is a member of the National Transportation Knowledge Network. He also serves on a Transportation Research Board subcommittee that reviews terms for its thesaurus, ensuring a common and consistent language between producers and users of transportation information. Schwarz has worked as a librarian at multiple public and academic libraries. He formerly was a researcher at Dow Jones, and a reporter and copy editor for several newspapers in New Jersey. He has two degrees from Rutgers University: a master's degree in library and information science, and a bachelor's degree in journalism/mass media and English.

The NJDOT Research Library provides knowledge resources to transportation professionals in New Jersey so that they can plan, design, construct, and maintain a high-quality transportation system. The Research Library is digitizing historical materials, including annual reports and issues of employee publications going back to 1921. For more information, visit [njdottechtransfer.net/library](http://njdottechtransfer.net/library).

### In Remembrance of our former Colleagues who lost their lives performing work for NJDOT

Mohammad Afzal	November 20, 1979	Rodger M. Anderson	September 25, 1985
Francisco Baez	August 10, 1993	Salvatore Brancato	July 8, 1960
John J. Calarco	February 2, 1979	Oliver G. Carson	July 30, 1962
Louis Caruso	June 18, 1999	Michael G. Collins	December 9, 1982
Francis J. DeGraw	December 12, 1984	Charles C. Dougherty	June 10, 1966
Faust DeLorenzo, Jr.	June 24, 1964	<b>Walter C. Eckert</b>	<b>January 1, 1947</b>
Lee W. Emmons	October 18, 1966	Brian T. Everson	November 30, 1982
Anthony Frinzi	June 26, 1973	Nicholas Holovacs	April 1, 1965
Gaza Horvath	April 11, 1972	Eduardo M. Jimenez	June 19, 2007
Robert M. Karuzis	January 21, 1987	<b>William T.A. Kays</b>	<b>August 16, 1948</b>
Joe Kealey	January 11, 2010	John Komorowski	September 10, 1987
Terry J. Kresge	January 1, 1988	Kyle Kristiansen	October 29, 1990
Douglas W. LaForge	December 13, 1967	John W. Lauer	April 23, 1980
Calvin A. Leach	January 21, 1993	Donald F. MacNeil, Jr.	December 14, 1961
George P. Moebus	January 19, 1972	Herman J. Meury	July 24, 1946
Loren T. Nichols	June 25, 1968	<b>Jeremiah O'Brien</b>	<b>April 26, 1948</b>
Joseph Panetta	May 13, 1959	<b>Joseph G. Platt</b>	<b>March 1, 1949</b>
<b>Arthur Reinhardt</b>	<b>October 20, 1943</b>	D. Douglas Roberts	September 22, 1975
Alphonse T. Santitoro	May 18, 1973	Donald R. Skillman	August 23, 1966
Frederick V. Speth	July 6, 1963	Moses S. Thompson	October 9, 1956
John B. Youngmenn	May 16, 1962		

**Thank you for joining us to reflect and remember... We will never forget...**



# Military Personnel, Law Enforcement and Emergency Responders from NJDOT and NJSP participating in today's Remembrance Ceremony

## Military Personnel

**LTC Joseph Sweger (RET)**  
United States Army Reserve  
DOT Retiree

**Lieutenant Danielle Wylie (Roman) (RET)**  
United States Navy and Naval Reserve  
Region North Operations

**First Lieutenant Robert M. Burd (RET)**  
New Jersey Army National Guard  
Transportation Mobility

**Command Sgt. Major Thomas Falletta (RET)**  
United States Army Reserve  
Lieutenant, New Jersey State Police (Ret)  
Office of the Inspector General

**LTJG Richard Sun**  
United States Navy Reserve, Transportation &  
Infrastructure Advisor, Office of the Governor

**Sergeant First Class John Bystrycki (RET)**  
United States Army  
Region South Operations

**Sergeant First Class Christopher Tomlin**  
United States Army National Guard  
Region North Operations

**Staff Sergeant Dan Daisey**  
New Jersey National Guard  
Division of Ops. Adm. Support

**Staff Sergeant Issac Robles**  
United States Air Force and Air Force Reserve  
Division of Highway and Traffic Design

**Staff Sergeant Angelo Sucameli**  
New Jersey Army National Guard  
United States Marine Corps  
Region Central Operations

**Sergeant Primo A. Cobb, III**  
United States Air Force  
NJDOT/NJSP Security

**Sergeant Evan Graham**  
United States Army  
Mobility Operations South

**Sergeant Trevor Halloran**  
United States Army  
Region Central Operations

**Sergeant Brandon Harrison**  
NJ Army National Guard  
Division of Human Resources

**Sergeant Douglas Hoyt**  
United States Army and NJ National Guard  
NJDOT/NJSP Security

**Sergeant Thomas Jones (RET)**  
United States Army and NJ National Guard  
Division of Civil Rights and Affirmative Action

**Sergeant Amy Marino**  
United States Army  
Region Central Operations

**Sergeant Dave Morgan**  
United States Marine Corps  
Region Central Operations

**Sergeant Ty Woodward**  
United States Army  
Division of Information Technology

**Senior Airman Robert Gilmartin, Jr.**  
United States Air Force  
Division of Accounting and Auditing

**Specialist Levi Doggett**  
United States Army  
NJDOT/NJSP Security Detail

**Specialist Patrick Martin**  
United States Army  
Division of Accounting and External Auditing

**Specialist Andres Mejia**  
United States Army  
Division of Highway and Traffic Design

**Specialist Patrick Miller**  
United States Army  
Region Central Operations

**Specialist Jeffrey Sirdashney**  
United States Army  
Region Central Operations

**Airman First Class Brian Summers**  
United States Air Force  
Region Central Operations

## NJDOT/NJSP Personnel serving as Emergency Responders for the Department and/or for their respective Communities

**Lieutenant Brian Ruane**  
New Jersey State Police

**NJSP's Traffic Incident Management Unit**  
SFC Sam Cappuccio      SFC Antony Dirubba  
SFC Guy Hendrickson      SFC Rodney Logan  
SFC Brian Smith      SFC Steve Szafran  
SFC Jimmy Vega

**From NJDOT's Transportation Mobility:  
Office of Emergency Mgt., Security and  
Response**

Eugene Eng      Todd Evans  
Michael Macari      Robert McGeehan  
Robert Pomykala      James Racanelli

**Incident Management Response Team  
Former members now with the Division of  
Highway Traffic Design**

Felipe Hernandez      Kelly McVeigh

**Past Chief Thomas Jones**  
Joint Board of Fire Commissioners, Arbor Hose  
Fire Company No.1, Piscataway  
Division of Civil Rights and Affirmative Action

**Central Region Operations  
Past Chief and Current Captain Louis Biaganti**  
Keyport Volunteer Fire Company

**Past Chief Mike Yaple**  
Califon Fire Company

**Past Captain and President Timothy Hartigan**  
(Life Member), Morgan First Aid Squad

**Captain Brandon Hanics**  
Alpha Volunteer Fire Company

**Lieutenant Raymond Berger**  
Franklin Township Fire Company  
(Warren County)

**Fire Police John Frankenfield**  
Huntington Fire Company

**Firefighter Jerid Burger**  
Phillipsburg, Fire Company

**Firefighter Dylan Dushok**  
Washington Township Fire Dept.

**Firefighter Jacob Dushok**  
Phillipsburg Fire Company

**Firefighter and EMT Anthony Kilroy**  
Keyport Volunteer Fire Company

**Firefighter Shane O'Brien**  
Jackson Mills Volunteer Fire Company  
Station #54

**Firefighter Michael Pickett**  
Kingwood Fire Department

**Firefighter John Schutts**  
Phillipsburg Fire Company

**Firefighter Thomas Stump**  
Phillipsburg Fire Company

**Interior Firefighter Josh Trapp**  
South Amboy Fire Department

**Firefighter Michael Verdjak**  
Lopatcong Fire Company

**Firefighter Adam Zimmer**  
Washington Fire Company

**Region South Operations  
Captain William Fox**  
Gibbsboro Fire Company

**First Aid and Rescue Squads, Search and Rescue  
Linda Cardell-Murphy and Tango**  
West Jersey K-9 Search and Rescue  
NJDOT Retiree

**First Aid Squad Member Syed Kazmi**  
Kendall Park First Aid Squad  
Division of Highway and Traffic Design

**Instructor Lee Steiner**  
South Amboy First Aid and Safety Squad  
Division of Highway and Traffic Design

We would also like to remember NJDOT's/NJSP's Military Personnel and Emergency Responders (who have served or continue to serve this Nation and their respective communities), who could not be present for today's ceremony.



